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PTA TO HOST EARTH DAY ENVIRONMENTAL TOURS

POHAKULOA TRAINING AREA, Hawaii – The U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii Pohakuloa Training Area will celebrate the 36th anniversary of Earth Day by offering natural resource tours to the public Thursday April 20.

The natural resource tour will traverse dry-land ohia forest within the Kipuka Kalawamauna fence on the western side of PTA. Visitors will see many species of rare and common dry-land plants.

The tour will give participants the opportunity to learn how PTA is preserving, protecting and managing its cultural and natural resources.

Guided tours will take place from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. PTA will provide transportation from the base camp to the site. Visitors should meet in the parking lot adjacent to the PTA front gate. Tours are fairly strenuous; visitors should be able to walk two miles over rough terrain. Bring good walking shoes, water, a brimmed hat, a windbreaker and sunscreen. Space is limited to 12 people per tour; call early for reservations. No walk-ins will be admitted.

Tour participants will be required to sign two waivers before the tours: one to ride in government vehicles and a second to visit the training area.

For more information and to make tour reservations call PTA's Environmental Office at 969-1966.